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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Currently Amended) Multiple layer biaxially oriented coextruded film comprising a base layer and at least one covering layer wherein the covering layer contains at least one polymer of at least one aliphatic hydroxycarboxylic acid, 1.5 to 10% by weight of a glycerine-fatty monofatty acid ester, and >0 up to 0.5% by weight of mica, based on the weight of the covering layer respectively, and wherein said covering layer has a thickness of up to 6 μm.
- 2. (Currently Amended) Film according to claim 1 wherein the content of glycerine-fatty monofatty acid ester is 2 to 8% by weight, based on the weight of the covering layer.
- 3. (Currently Amended) Film according to claim 1 wherein the glycerine fatty monofatty acid ester is glycerine monostearate.
- (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 1 wherein the mica has a particle size of 4-12 μm.
- 5. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 1 wherein the mica has a form factor (aspect ratio) of 5 to 50.
- 6. (Currently Amended) Film according to claim 1 wherein the covering layer contains 0.05 0.25% by weight from 0.05 to 0.30 % by weight of mica.
- (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 1 wherein the covering layer additionally contains calcium silicate (wollastonite) or kaolin.
- 8. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 7 comprising calcium silicate (wollastonite) or kaolin in a quantity of 0.5 to 0.3% by weight respectively, the total quantity of antiblocking agent content not exceeding 0.5% by weight, based on the covering layer.

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- (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 1 wherein the covering layer contains 70 to <98% by weight of a polymer of aliphatic hydroxycarboxylic acid.
- 10. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 9 wherein the aliphatic hydroxycarboxylic acid is a PLA.
- 11. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 1 wherein the base layer is transparent and contains between 90 and 100% by weight of a polyhydroxycarboxylic acid.
- 12. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 1 wherein the base layer is opaque and additionally contains vacuole initiating filler.
- 13. (Cancelled)
- 14. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 1 wherein the covering layer is sealable.
- 15. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 1 wherein the film has a gloss of 120 to 150 at an angle of 20°.
- 16. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 1 wherein the film has a surface resistance of <6*10¹²Ohm/m².
- 17. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 1 wherein the film has a dynamic coefficient of friction of <0.30.
- (Currently Amended) Multiple layer biaxially oriented coextruded opaque of white film comprising a base layer and at least one covering layer wherein the covering layer contains at least one polymer of at least one aliphatic hydroxycarboxylic acid, 1.5 to 10% by weight of a glycerine fatty monofatty acid ester, and 0 up to 2% by weight of mica, based on the weight of the covering layer respectively, and wherein said covering layer has a thickness of up to 6 μm.

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- (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 18 wherein the base layer contains
 TiO2.
- 20. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 18 wherein the base layer contains vacuole initiating filler.
- 21. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 18 wherein the base layer contains vacuole initiating filler, in a quantity of 3 to 15% by weight.
- 22. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 18 wherein the base layer contains vacuole initiating filler and TiO2.
- 23. (Cancelled)
- 24. (Currently Amended) Process for the production of a film according to claim 1 wherein the glycerine-fatty monofatty acid ester and antiblocking particles are incorporated into the covering layer via a concentrate.
- 25. (Previously Presented) Process according to claim 24 wherein the concentrate comprises a polyolefin.
- 26. (Currently Amended) Multiple-layer biaxially oriented <u>coextruded</u> film comprising a base layer and at least one covering layer wherein the covering layer contains at least one polymer of at least one aliphatic hydroxycarboxylic acid, 1.5 to 10% by weight of a glycerine <u>fatty monofatty</u> acid ester, and [[≤]] <u>up to</u> 0.3% by weight of wollastonite, based on the covering layer respectively, and wherein said covering layer has a thickness of up to 6 μm.
- 27. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 11 wherein the polyhydroxycarboxylic acid is PLA.
- 28. (Currently Amended) Film according to claim 16 wherein the surface resistance is 1*10¹² to 4*10¹² Ohm/m².

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- 29. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 17 wherein the dynamic coefficient is from 0.05 to 0.25.
- 30. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 19 wherein the base layer contains 1 to 15% by weight of TiO2.
- 31. (Previously Presented) Film according to claim 20 wherein the vacuole initiating filler comprises COC.
- 32. (Previously Presented) A packaged foodstuff or product wherein the packaging comprises the film of claim 1.
- 33. (Previously Presented) Process according to claim 24 wherein the polyolefin is polyethylene or polypropylene.